

**STONY PLAIN UNITED CHURCH
MEWASSIN UNITED CHURCH
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TRINITY SUNDAY**

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WELCOME to our service this morning!**

WE GATHER BEFORE GOD TOGETHER

WELCOME (please mute microphones)

PREPARING TO BE WITH GOD: My Peace (sung twice. Verse 1 'peace', verse 2 'joy')

My peace I give unto you; It's a peace that the world cannot give.

It's a peace that the world cannot understand;

Peace to know, peace to live, my peace I give unto you.

My joy I give unto you; It's a joy that the world cannot give.

It's a joy that the world cannot understand;

joy to know, joy to live, my joy I give unto you.

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CALL TO WORSHIP: (responsive)

God's Spirit is loose in our world!

Like eagles soaring on the wind, God's Spirit is filled with majesty, awe, and grace!

O God, our God, how glorious is your name, how wondrous is your Spirit's calling!

OPENING PRAYER: (unison)

God of all creation, you reach out to us in so many ways, enfolding us in your grace. Grant us the wisdom to perceive you, the awareness to listen to you, the desire to understand you and the courage to respond to you. Your call is an invitation to life lives of meaning and faith, reflecting all the gifts we have received from you. May our response be our invitation to you to lead us in your path. Amen.

HYMN: VU # 315

'Holy, Holy, Holy'

Verse 1

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Verse 2

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert, and art, and evermore shall be.

Verse 3

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye made blind by sin thy glory may not see;
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love and purity.

Verse 4

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;
holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

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PRAYER FOR GRACE: (unison)

Holy God, in earth, sea and sky, you are there; in everything we touch, everyone we meet; your presence surrounds us. We have not touched but trampled creation; we have not met you in others choosing to judge. We have ignored your presence when it asks something of us we do not want to offer. We want to do better O God, and so now we ask for your forgiveness and the strength to begin again. In your Son's name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: (responsive)

The God who challenges us is also the God who encourages us. The God who confronts us is also the God who accepts us.

Let us be assured that God is with us always, accepting, encouraging and guiding us to freedom. Thanks be to God.

THE GIFT OF MUSIC Vocal Ensemble, accompanied by Meredith Adams: 'Go Into The World'
Text adapted from Matthew 28: 19 – 20; Music by Natalie Sleeth

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD FOR OUR LIVES
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READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 13: 1 - 13 'Live in Peace'

Matthew 28:16-20 'The great Commissioning'

REFLECTION

HYMN: VU #268 'Bring Many Names' (vss 1, 2 &6)

Verse 1

Bring many names, beautiful and good,
Celebrate, in parable and story,
Holiness in glory, living, loving God.
Hail and hosanna! Bring many names!

Verse 2

Strong mother God, working night and day,
Planning all the wonders of creation,
Setting each equation, genius at play:
Hail and hosanna, strong mother God!

Verse 6

Great, living God, never fully known,
Joyful darkness far beyond our seeing,
Closer yet than breathing, everlasting home:
Hail and hosanna, great, living God!

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WE RESPOND WITH INTENTION

JOYS AND CONCERNS (please unmute your microphones)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE LEAVE TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

HYMN: VU # 313 'God, Whose Almighty Word'

Verse 1

God, whose almighty word chaos and darkness hear,
and took their flight, hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel day sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.

Verse 2

Jesus, who came to bring on your redeeming wing,
healing and sight, health to the troubled mind,
sight to the Spirit-blind, O now to humankind
let there be light.

Verse 3

Spirit of truth and love, life-giving, holy dove,
speed forth your flight; move on the water's face,
bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place
let there be light

Verse 4

Blessed and holy three, glorious trinity,
wisdom, love, might, boundless as ocean's tide
rolling in fullest pride, through the world far and wide,
let there be light.

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BLESSING AND BENEDICTION: (responsive)

Let us go now and join Christ in the world, healing and sharing words of freedom, compassion and peace.

Let us go now and join Christ in the world, witnessing to the sacred in the midst of life.